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1. [REDACTED] REVEALED A NEW AREA OF UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY BETWEEN LAUNCH COMPLEXES "A" AND "E" AT THE TIMTC. THIS AREA, WHICH WAS RAIL AND ROAD SERVED AND CONTAINED APPROXIMATELY 15 BUILDINGS, WAS LATER DESIGNATED COMPLEX "J" [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE BY 16 KH MISSIONS SHOWED CONTINUED EXPANSION OF THE FACILITIES, INCLUDING A LARGE HEXAGONALLY-SHAPED EXCAVATION LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 3 NM NNW OF LAUNCH PAD A1 (LAUNCH COMPLEX "A"), AND A MASSIVE RAIL-SERVED BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION. THE MASSIVE BUILDING MEASURED APPROXIMATELY 800 X 615 FT AND HAD 2 SECTIONS: THE LARGER SECTION WAS AT LEAST 175 FT HIGH AND THE SMALLER WAS AT LEAST 120 FT HIGH.

OTHER FACILITIES WITHIN COMPLEX "J" INCLUDED A ROAD AND RAIL LINE UNDER CONSTRUCTION WHICH EXTENDED FROM THE SUPPORT AREA TOWARD THE LARGE EXCAVATION, A HOUSING AREA, AND A CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT AREA.

2. THIS MISSION REVEALS THAT A SECOND LARGE EXCAVATION IS BEING DUG APPROXIMATELY 1,700 FT WNW OF THE ORIGINAL LARGE EXCAVATION. TWO BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN THE EXCAVATIONS AND SEVERAL SHALLOW RECTANGULAR EXCAVATIONS ARE LOCATED NEAR BY. THE RAIL LINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED AND SPLIT TO FORM A WISHBONE CONFIGURATION. THE ENDS OF THE

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WISHBONE TERMINATE BETWEEN THE 2 LARGE EXCAVATIONS. THE LAYOUT OF THIS AREA OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS SIMILAR TO THAT OBSERVED AT LAUNCH AREA G3-G4 (LAUNCH COMPLEX "G") WHEN THAT LAUNCH AREA WAS IN AN EARLY STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION. THE 2 LARGE EXCAVATIONS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE LAUNCH PADS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND ARE DESIGNATED LAUNCH PADS J1 AND J2.

THE MASSIVE BUILDING, NOW REFERRED TO AS THE ASSEMBLY/CHECKOUT BUILDING, IS COMPLETE. TWO PARALLEL SCARS, POSSIBLY GANTRY TRACKS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND APPROXIMATELY 60 FT APART, EXTEND 3,000 FT FROM THE ASSEMBLY/CHECKOUT BUILDING IN THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE LARGE EXCAVATIONS.

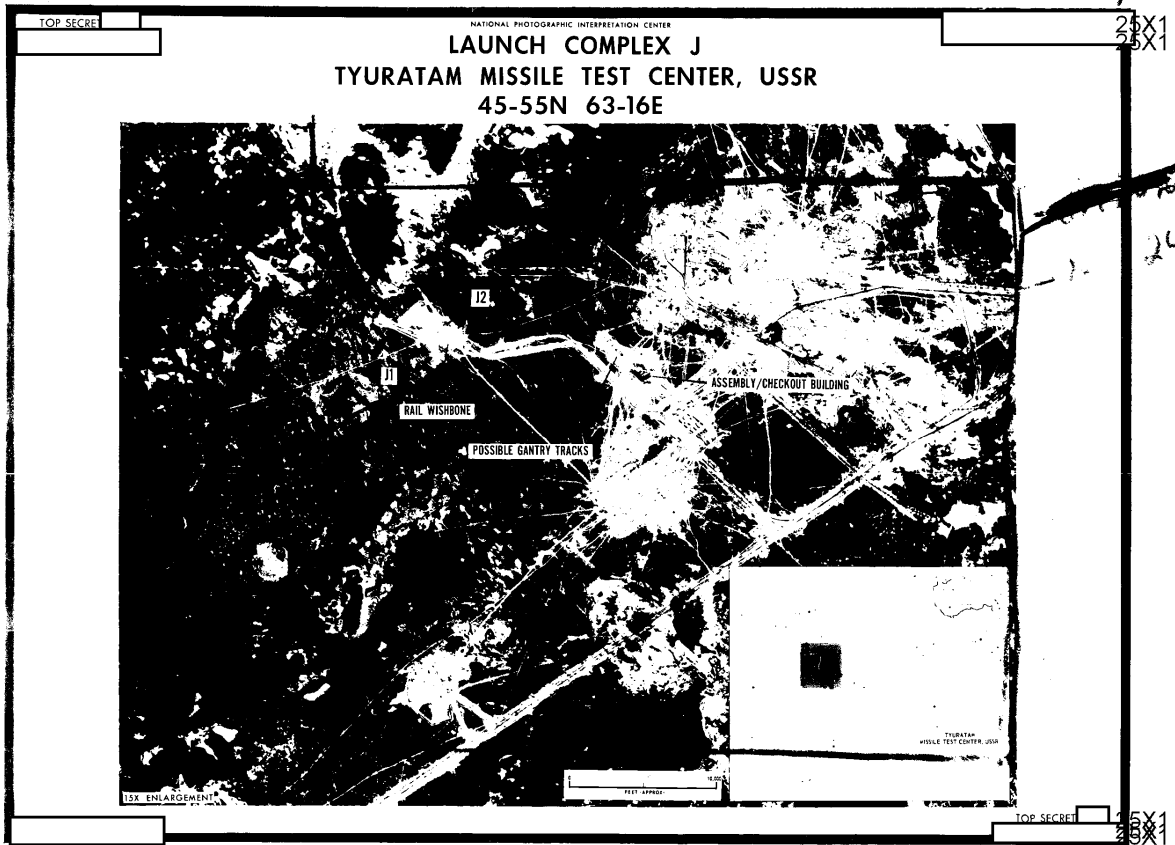
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